



PATENT APPLICATION

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Examiner Name: Christopher R. Buchanan  
Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROVIDING RETIREMENT INCOME BENEFITS

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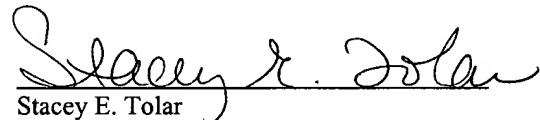
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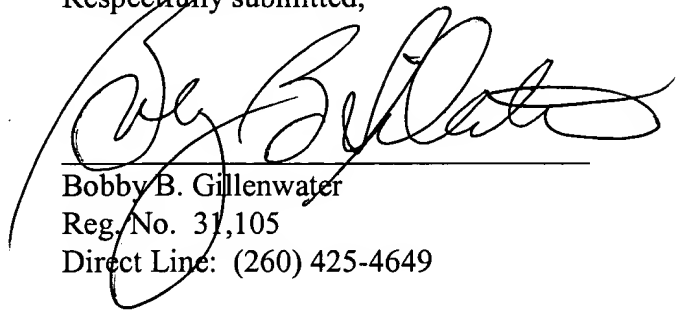
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Applicants petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated February 28, 2003, for two (2) months from May 28, 2003, to July 28, 2003.

As required, the appropriate fee of \$410.00 specified in 37 C.F.R. §1.17 is submitted herewith. Please credit any overpayments or charge any additional fees to the Deposit Account of Barnes & Thornburg, Account No. 02-1010 (37168/82045).

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